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File date: June 18, 2003
Inventor name: Jason Reznar
Art Unit: 3652
Examiner: KRIZEK, JANICE LEE

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Application No.: 10/601,920

Examiner: KRIZEK, JANICE LEE

File date: June 18, 2003

Art No.: 3652

Inventor: Jason Reznar

Atty Docket No.: 03-03

Entitled: Spare tire Handling Device with a Wheel Retainer

Cover Letter

(in re of the Response to Office Action mailed 12/16/2004)

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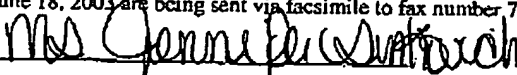
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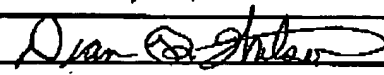
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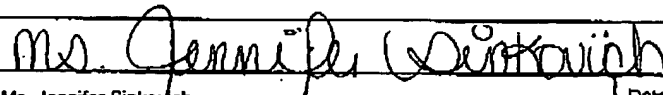
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Group Art Number: 3652
Examiner: Keenan
Title: Spare Tire Handling Device with a Wheel Retainer

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2004, please enter the following Amendment with respect to the above-identified application:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111